

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A dish rack for a dishwasher, comprising:

a frame; and

a coating covering said frame and configured to distribute water drops over a surface of the coating, whereby the drops are distributed in a form of a substantially uniform film, wherein the surface of the coating has a surface roughness of $R_z \geq 5 \mu\text{m}$.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The dish rack according to Claim 1, wherein said coating comprises a plastic.

Claim 3 (Cancelled).

Claim 4 (Original): The dish rack according to Claim 1, wherein said coating is deposited over said frame by a plastic coating process.

Claim 5 (Original): The dish rack according to Claim 1, wherein said coating comprises polyamide.

Claim 6 (Original): The dish rack according to Claim 1, wherein said frame comprises a steel wire frame.

Claim 7 (Cancelled).

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The dish rack according to Claim 1, wherein said coating comprises substantially polyamide.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): In combination, a dishwasher apparatus comprising a dish rack having a frame and a coating covering said frame and configured to distribute water drops over a surface of the coating, whereby the drops are distributed in a form of a substantially uniform film, wherein the surface of the coating has a surface roughness of $R_z \geq 5 \mu\text{m}$.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): In combination, the dishwasher apparatus of Claim 9, wherein said coating comprises a plastic.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): In combination, the dishwasher apparatus of Claim 9, wherein said coating is deposited over said frame by a plastic coating process.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): In combination, the dishwasher apparatus of Claim 9, wherein said coating comprises polyamide.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): In combination, the dishwasher apparatus of Claim 9, wherein said frame comprises a steel wire frame.

Claim 14 (Previously Presented): In combination, the dishwasher apparatus of Claim 9, wherein said coating comprises substantially polyamide.

DISCUSSION OF THE AMENDMENT

Claims 1 and 9 have each been amended to recite with more specificity how the coating is configured, as supported in the specification at [0007] and [0009].

No new matter has been added by the above amendment. Claims 1, 2, 4-6, and 8-14 remain pending in the application.